

Legislative Boards and Commissions

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Purpose

The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel (OLRGC) is required to prepare an annual report regarding legislative boards and commissions, which are boards and commission that have a member who is required to be a member of the Legislature or appointed by a member of the Legislature (See Utah Code Section [32-12-22](#), as enacted by [2019 H.B. 387](#)). In preparation for that report, each legislative board or commission is required to submit a report to OLRGC containing certain information about the board or commission (See Subsection [32-12-22\(2\)](#)). To assist boards and commissions in complying with that requirement, OLRGC solicited responses from legislative boards and commissions through an online survey. This report contains a summary and analysis of the information collected.

Total Boards

Total number of legislative boards and commissions in the state: **63**

- Administrative Rules Review Committee
- Air Quality Policy Advisory Board
- Beer Availability Workgroup
- Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel
- Child Welfare Parental Defense Oversight Committee
- Clean Air Act Compliance Advisory Panel
- Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice
- Commission on Housing Affordability
- Constitutional Defense Council
- Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force
- Data Security Management Council
- Division of Indian Affairs Joint Meetings
- Energy Producer States' Agreement
- Federalism Commission
- Health Reform Task Force
- Higher Education Strategic Planning Commission
- House Management Committee
- Indigent Defense Commission
- International Relations and Trade Committee
- Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision
- Judicial Conduct Commission
- Legislative Process Committee
- Legislative Records Committee
- Legislative Water Development Commission
- Local Food Advisory Council
- Martha Hughes Cannon Statue Oversight Committee
- Mental Health Crisis Line Commission
- Mental Health Protections for First Responders Workgroup
- Military Installation Development Authority Board
- Native American Legislative Liaison Committee
- Occupational and Professional Licensure Review Committee
- Occupational Licensing Policy Learning Consortium
- Pete Suazo Utah Athletic Commission
- Point of the Mountain Development Commission
- Point of the Mountain State Land Authority Board
- Road Usage Charge Advisory Committee
- Rural Online Working Hubs Grant Advisory Committee
- SafeUT and School Safety Commission
- Senate Management Committee
- Sentencing Commission
- Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Rehabilitation Fund and Pediatric Neuro-Rehabilitation Fund Advisory Committee
- Standards Review Committee
- State Capitol Preservation Board
- State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision
- State Fair Park Committee
- State Interagency Coordinating Council (for Infants and Toddlers with Special Needs and Their Families)
- State Monument Management Committee

- State Workforce Development Board
- Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement Governing Board
- Talent Ready Utah Board
- Tax Restructuring and Equalization Task Force
- ULEAD Director Selection Committee
- Utah Commission on Uniform State Laws
- Utah Inland Port Authority Governing Board
- Utah Marriage Commission
- Utah Seismic Safety Commission
- Utah Standards Assessment Questions Committee
- Utah State Fair Corporation Board of Directors
- Utah Transparency Advisory Board
- Veterans and Military Affairs Commission
- Western States Transportation Alliance Cooperating Committee
- Women in the Economy Commission
- World War II Memorial Commission

Submitted Report

Legislative boards and commissions that submitted a statutorily required report: **56 (89%)**

(Subsection 36-12-22(2))

- Administrative Rules Review Committee
- Beer Availability Work Group
- Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel
- Child Welfare Parental Defense Oversight Committee
- Clean Air Act Compliance Advisory Panel
- Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice
- Constitutional Defense Council
- Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force
- Data Security Management Council
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- Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement Governing Board
- Talent Ready Utah Board
- Tax Restructuring and Equalization Task Force
- Utah Commission on Uniform State Laws
- Utah Inland Port Authority Governing Board
- Utah Marriage Commission
- Utah Seismic Safety Commission

- Utah Standards Assessment Questions Committee
- Utah State Board of Education–Standards Review Committee
- Utah State Fair Corporation Board of Directors
- Utah Transparency Advisory Board
- Veterans and Military Affairs Commission
- Western States Transportation Alliance
- Women in the Economy Commission
- World War II Memorial Commission

Did Not Submit Report

Legislative boards and commissions that did not submit a report: **7 (11%)**

(Subsection 36-12-22(2))

- Air Quality Policy Advisory Board
- Commission on Housing Affordability
- Division of Indian Affairs Joint Meetings
- Point of the Mountain State Land Authority Board
- State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision
- State Monument Management Committee
- ULEAD Director Selection Committee

Recommendations

Recommendations made by a legislative board or commission regarding whether any statutory, rule, or other changes are needed to make the legislative board or commission more effective (Subsection 36-12-22(2)(a)(viii)):

Board or Commission	Recommendation
Child Welfare Parental Defense Oversight Committee	“During the 2019 General Session the Parental Defense responsibilities were transferred from the Department of Administrative Services to the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (See SB 251). The Department of Administrative Services established the committee by rule (Rule 19). However this rule expired at the end Fiscal Year 2019.”
Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice	“Delegation authority to an executive committee.”
Data Security Management Council	“The Department of Technology Services needs the Data Security Management Council created in Utah Code 63F-2 to always be a closed meeting for information security purposes. DTS recommends the Legislature study the possibility of the Council being included in the list of meetings in 52-4-2(2).”
Mental Health and Crisis Line Commission	“The Commission would like to add to additional seats to the Commission, one to represent law enforcement and one to represent the Utah Hospital Association. The Commission would also like to change its name to the Mental Health and Crisis Response Commission. These changes will be introduced in legislation that Representative Steve Eliason will be running in 2020.”
Native American Legislative Liaison Committee	“Committee operates efficiently as is, although the reduction in members from 11 to 8 in the 2019 General Session makes it more difficult to get a quorum for meetings.”
Pete Suazo Utah Athletic Commission	“We have a very active Commission that is not only engaged in the safety and progress of "Unarmed Combat" sports but they have a vested interest in the development of the businesses within the sport. The economic impact is significant to the State within these niche communities. We conduct more events annually than all of our neighboring States combined. (Sans Nevada- The Fight Capital of the World).”
Sentencing Commission	“I would recommend that we add a justice court judge to the commission's membership.”

Board or Commission	Recommendation
Utah Indigent Defense Commission	"We operate with a discretionary grant program for an ongoing state responsibility. We need to move to ongoing funding and direct oversight/control of certain programs to help the state meet its constitutional responsibilities."
Utah Seismic Safety Commission	"By statute, one representative from each, Utah State Senate and the Utah House of Representatives, are commissioners on the USSC. The USSC recommends that these positions be changed from the current two legislators to two representatives from other earthquake-related organizations that have an interest in reducing earthquake-related loss in Utah; however, we do encourage continued coordination with representatives from the Utah State Senate and the Utah House of Representatives. We also recommend that \$25,000 be appropriated each fiscal year to support vital USSC activities which can be matched with federal funding opportunities."
Utah Standards Assessment Questions Committee	"This committee provides a valuable service, but may benefit by adding statutory language requiring participants to be a parent of a current public education students. I believe this would ensure that committee participants are fully invested in Utah's public education system. Currently it is possible for participants to bring an alternative agenda to the process which can interfere with the intent of the group."
Utah State Fair Corporation Board of Directors	"Each year new bills are introduced and new laws are created that require quasi state agencies to execute as if they were state offices. The unintended consequences of some of these new laws place this corporation (board) and others in an unfair competitive positions. Limit the number of bills that are introduced each session to a reasonable level. Thereby allowing thoughtful discussion before passing new laws, which will free up time spent lobbying that is better served elsewhere."

Indicated Should be Repealed

Legislative boards or commissions that indicated that they should no longer exist:

(Subsection 36-12-22(2)(a)(ix))

Board or Commission	Reason for Repeal
Energy Producers States' Agreement Committee	"Not necessary in my opinion" – <i>Rep. Carl Albrecht</i>
Child Welfare Parental Defense Oversight Committee	"We believe that now that parental defense responsibility has been transferred to the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice that the Commission can provide the necessary oversight and that a separate committee either by statute or rule would not be necessary. The Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice representation from the Indigent Defense Commission, the Department of Human Services, the Legislature, and legal defenders who represent juveniles."
Higher Education Strategic Planning Commission	"The commission will finish its work by November, 2019."